

**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (Original) A recovery device for use in a confined space, said device comprising (a) a plurality of gripping means and (b) extension means, said plurality of gripping means being comprised in the same member or in adjacent members.
2. (Original) A recovery device as claimed in claim 1 wherein said plurality of gripping means comprise first gripping means and second gripping means.
3. (Original) A recovery device as claimed in claim 2 wherein said first gripping means comprises a cylindrical device.
4. (Original) A recovery device as claimed in claim 3 wherein said cylindrical device is in the form of a sleeve adapted to encompass and engage with a container.
5. (Currently Amended) A recovery device as claimed in ~~any one of claims 1 to 4~~ claim 1 which comprises engaging means.
6. (Original) A recovery device as claimed in claim 5 wherein said engaging means comprises elongated members incorporating pivoting means.
7. (Original) A recovery device as claimed in claim 6 wherein said elongated members incorporating pivoting means comprise long blades which include pivot points for a plurality of fingers which can engage with a container.

8. (Currently Amended) A recovery device as claimed in ~~any one of claims 2 to 7~~ claim 2 wherein said second gripping means comprises a movably mounted flexible arm incorporating said gripping means.
9. (Original) A recovery device as claimed in claim 8 wherein said second gripping means comprises a movably mounted flexible arm incorporating gripping means in the form of a grab or gripper.
10. (Currently Amended) A recovery device as claimed in ~~any one of claims 2 to 9~~ claim 2 wherein said second gripping means is rotatably mounted.
11. (Original) A recovery device as claimed in claim 10 wherein said second gripping means is rotatably mounted within said first gripping means or adjacent said first gripping means.
12. (Currently Amended) A recovery device as claimed in ~~any one of claims 2 to 11~~ claim 2 wherein said second gripping means comprises a flexible arm mounted inside a sleeve comprised in said first gripping means.
13. (Currently Amended) A recovery device as claimed in ~~any one of claims 2 to 12~~ claim 2 wherein said second gripping means comprises a manipulator arm.
14. (Original) A recovery device as claimed in claim 13 wherein the end of said manipulator arm comprises an effector.
15. (Original) A recovery device as claimed in claim 14 wherein said effector comprises a grab or gripper.
16. (Currently Amended) A recovery device as claimed in claim 14 ~~or 15~~ wherein said effector additionally comprises a small wire cutter.

17. (Currently Amended) A recovery device as claimed in ~~any preceding~~ claim 1 which additionally comprises collection means for loose and particulate debris collected by said second gripping means.
18. (Original) A recovery device as claimed in claim 17 wherein said collection means comprises a container.
19. (Original) A recovery device as claimed in claim 18 wherein said container is removably mounted on said first gripping means.
20. (Original) A recovery device as claimed in claim 19 wherein said container comprises a removable pouch mounted inside a sleeve which is comprised in said first gripping means.
21. (Currently Amended) A recovery device as claimed in ~~any one of claims 17 to 20~~ claim 17 wherein said collection means additionally comprises containment means designed to ensure that collected debris cannot fall out of said collection means.
22. (Original) A recovery device as claimed in claim 21 wherein said containment means includes a spring-loaded closure.
23. (Currently Amended) A recovery device as claimed in ~~any preceding~~ claim 1 wherein said extension means comprises means by which the first and second gripping means may be manoeuvred within a confined space.
24. (Currently Amended) A recovery device as claimed in ~~any preceding~~ claim 1 wherein said extension means comprises a winch mechanism, an umbilical device or a telescopic mast.

25. (Currently Amended) A recovery device as claimed in ~~any preceding~~ claim 1 which comprises a small, limited degree of freedom manipulator arm located within a cylindrical sleeve and removable debris pouches attached to the inside walls of the sleeve in which loose debris may be collected.
26. (Currently Amended) A recovery device as claimed in ~~any preceding~~ claim 1 which comprises a tubular element comprising an outer sleeve having sides which incorporate long windows, said outer sleeve being fitted at its lower end with long blades and pivot points for a plurality of fingers, said blades being of such dimensions as to fit down the gap between the outside of a drum and the inside of a mortuary tube.
27. (Currently Amended) A method for the recovery of waste materials, said method comprising the recovery of said materials by the use of a recovery device according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 26~~ claim 1.